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STRIKE/BLOCKADE ON BELGIAN IN-LAND WATERWAYS

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BARGE OPERATORS STRIKE WHICH NOW IN SIXTH WEEK SHOWS NO SIGNS
OF ENDING. AFTER GOB CANCELLED NEGOTIATING SESSION OCT 1
BARGE OWNERS INSTALLED NEW BLOCKADES ON MOST WATERWAYS STRANDING
SOME DUTCH AND FRENCH BOATS IN BELGIUM. GOVERNMENT, WHICH OVER
WEEK AGO REQUISITIONED BARGE OPERATORS IN ATTEMPT TO BREAK STRIKE,
IS NOW CONSIDERING USE OF GENDARMERIE TO ENFORCE REQUISITION AND
BREAKUP EXISTING BLOCKADES. IT IS REPORTED POLICE INTERVENTION
COULD OCCUR BY OCT 6 IF NO OTHER SOLUTION IS FOUND IN THIS
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